

I am currently not a licensed amateur radio operator, but I am interested in becoming one. personally, I agree with many of the rule changes proposed, including the reduction in the code requirement. This has been the greatest obstacle to my trying for a license. I am actually for a uniform code requirement of 5 words per minute for any license since the code requirement has become outdated by technology. I would also include provisions for the "sunset" of this requirement should the international requirement, S25.5, be voted out in 2001.

As for testing, the requirement should be for 1 minute of intelligible copy out of a test of five minutes with the applicant being able to clean up their code copy. From this code copy, the applicant should be able to understand the meaning of the copy, possibly by answering a multiple-choice exam.